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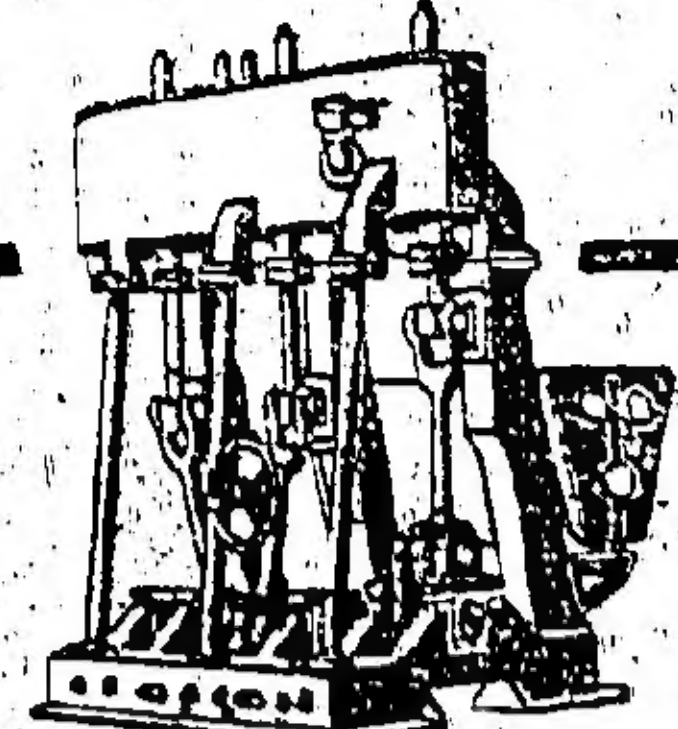
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THE WAR.

LATEST TELEGRAMS.

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THE DECISIVE PHASE.
FRENCH WAR MINISTER ON THE POSITION.
Paris, March 28.
General Painleve, Minister for War, in urging the necessity for calling up the 1918 class, said: "We are entering on the decisive phase of the war; but decisive is not synonymous with short. The German retreat has proved the strength and re-orientation of the British and French. It does not mean that the German armies are weakening, but rather that the enemy are mustering their strength for a desperate effort."

GERMAN GHOUISHNESS.
LONDON, March 28.
Reuter's Correspondent at French Headquarters reports that the full atrociousness of the conduct of the Germans in the evacuated territories is only now appearing. They not only broke open vaults in the churchyards and used them as machinegun shelters, but they systematically pillaged the graves of the well-to-do for the zinc and lead linings of the coffins, and possibly for ornaments and jewels. Several caves in the cemeteries were torn up, ghoul-like, coffins broken open and the remains of the dead scattered, rubbish and filth being thrown into the yawning graves.

The Germans show an almost exaggerated respect for their own dead. Their grim, gaudy cemeteries abound with pompous epitaphs to "fallen German heroes" and characteristically inscribed tombstones stolen from neighboring French cemeteries.

RUSSIA AND THE WAR.
FINE DETERMINATION OF THE TROOPS.
WAR TO THE KNIFE AGAINST THE ENEMY.
Petrograd, March 28.
The principle that the war must be continued until complete victory is attained is everywhere unanimously expressed by the Army, the Navy and the people. The only differences are regarding annexations, to which the most radical elements are opposed. The feeling of solidarity between the soldiers and their officers is increasing. It is manifest that all realize the necessity of war to the knife against the enemy. The news from the front shows that the same feelings obtain there.

At Kiev General Brusilov received the new oath of the troops of the south-western front. Soldiers carried him on their shoulders to Headquarters where crimson shields were hanging inscribed: "The troops will conquer the enemy at the Nation has conquered the Dynasty."

General Ivanoff, who was in charge of the Police Guard at the time of the Revolution, has been arrested.

GERMANY'S "NEW AND DANGEROUS ENEMY"
AMSTERDAM, March 28.
The *Forwards*, commenting on Russia continues to warn the Government against the "new and dangerous enemy," namely the conviction among free peoples that they are defending the people's freedom, and it again argues that the people be given a greater share in the Government.

The attitude of the *Forwards* is significant in view of the fact that it is under Government control.

RUSSIA'S FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS.
LONDON, March 28.
Mr. Bonar Law stated in the House of Commons that the new Russian Government has assumed the financial obligations of the old Government towards Great Britain.

ARGENTINE GRAIN AND FLOUR EXPORT PROHIBITED.
BUENOS AIRES, March 28.
The exportation of grain and flour from the Argentine is prohibited in order to secure the stocks necessary to the country.


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VISCOUNT BRYCE ON GERMAN DESPERATION.

A STEP NEARER PEACE.

Viscount Bryce, formerly British Ambassador at Washington, speaking recently in London on the subject of Germany's declaration of war since and the menace to neutrals, said:—

"This is the first definite step that brings us nearer peace. It looks like the beginning of the end. Up till now many thought the outcome of the war might be a drawn game, but now the German Government, recognising approaching economic exhaustion and the growing scarcity of supplies, has become desperate and is resorting to desperate measures. Seeing no other hope of success, it is throwing over every remaining restraint of law and proclaiming its contempt of neutral opinion."

"It undertook the invasion of Rumania in the belief that victory there would startle the world, would appease discontent in Germany and enable it to dictate peace on its own terms. But when the under-estimated resolution and confidence of the Allies, when the Allies unanimously rejected the offer, because they knew it could not secure a durable peace, but would merely give her time for resting till she was ready to resume her attacks, the German Government grew desperate, and determined to try desperate expedients. Hence these submarine threats, which almost amount to a declaration of war against neutrals."

"We need not be surprised, for the whole conduct of the German Government has been of a piece. They began by invading Belgium, an innocent country with which they had no quarrel, merely to gain a military advantage. They drowned innocent passengers and crews of passenger and merchant ships, many of them neutrals, 1,200 on the Lusitania alone. They stood by and tacitly acquiesced in the plan of their Turkish Allies to exterminate the whole Christian nation of Armenians with unheard-of cruelties, when they could have stopped the massacres by warning the Turks to desist. Instead, they have been conferring honours on the bloodthirsty ruffian, Enver (Turkish War Minister), the principal author of the massacres."

And now they are carrying into slavery many thousands of peaceful Belgian workmen, who are driven by force to toil against their own country."

"All these acts show absolute disregard not only of international law and treaty obligations but, what is far worse, scorn for the first principles of justice and humanity. This is what made us in England feel that no peace can be made with such a Government until it has been defeated. Nothing less than defeat will show the German people that they must get rid of such rulers."

WHY IT BRINGS PEACE NEARER.

Lord Bryce, when asked why he thought the German action towards neutrals had brought peace nearer, replied:—

"Because the German Government has itself declared that this unbridled submarine warfare, directed against neutrals as well as belligerents, to be its last resource. If this fails, everything will have failed, so they tell us themselves through their newspapers. That is why they say they were driven to it. If this does not succeed the war is finished."

"We in England do not believe the German submarines can do us more harm than they have been doing already. Although neutrals undoubtedly will suffer more. If there is to be a contest of endurance, we are confident that we can outlast Germany, and we are prepared to endure all that is necessary for the sake of success in a righteous cause. It is not vengeance against Germany that we are fighting for. We want no revenge upon the German people. We are fighting for the future security of the world."

When Lord Bryce was asked concerning President Wilson's course, he said:—

"The President seems to have acted with patient caution and moderation, which greatly strengthens his present position. He gave the German Government every chance of returning, after the cases of the Lusitania and Sussex, to better courses, but when she repudiated the promise she gave after the Sussex, he perceived the portentous gravity of the situation and felt that no self-respecting neutral nation could possibly submit to the claim of the German Government of the right to destroy the lives and property of neutrals in the way contemplated."

"I personally have never doubted that the entrance of America would be a most important factor and would naturally tend to shorten the war. Apart from such military and naval strength, in America might bring and apart from the prodigious financial resources America commands, how great would be the moral effect produced by her action? Not even Germany, strong as she is, across the Atlantic, can fight against the condemnation of the civilized world."

AUSTRIA'S RESISTING POWER.

DUAL MONARCHY NEARING THE END.

ARMY ON HALF-RATIONS.

It is plainly apparent to anyone who has made a study of economic conditions in Germany and in the Dual Monarchy that the peace offer made in the middle of December was chiefly prompted by the knowledge that relief must come within six months from the present time at the outside if internal troubles of the most serious character are to be avoided, says the "Morning Post."

In Austria-Hungary the available stocks of food will not even last for six months. But supposing that by imposing severe privations on the people the authorities should succeed in quieting them until the end of June, how is the population—increased, it must be borne in mind, by some 28 million mouths in the occupied regions—to be fed during the months of July and August? For by that time, according to statisticians, not a grain of wheat or maize will be left, even if the spoils in Rumania should afford some relief, which is a most questionable supposition."

FAMINE IN NIGHT.

There will thus be two months to be bridged over before the earliest crops can be harvested, and in that period starvation on a scale hitherto unknown in the world, save perhaps in India, will present itself. When it comes to that, of course, peace will have to be made on any terms. The feeding of the army is the main concern of the Central Empires, not that of the population, as may be imagined. Yet even this cannot be managed for more than another six months, even allowing for the fact that the Austro-Hungarian forces behind the front are on half rations, and that very soon, in all probability, the men on the Western front will face no better."

In order to give readers an idea of the scarcity of food stocks, even in Hungary, on whose generosity the 85 millions of people in Austria depend for cereals, I need only mention an interpolation in the Hungarian Chamber last week by M. Charles Huszari, who asked the Minister of Agriculture "if he proposes to go on with the commandeering of cereals in the same way as has been done for the last two months, and deprive the peasant population of even such quantities as two or three quarts of grain, wheat, and maize?" The requisitioning Commissions, visiting villages, farms, and peasant houses one by one, are taking every ounce of cereals from the peasants, so much so that these cannot even feed their live stock and are slaughtering lean pigs and selling their horses. Owing to the lack of horses, harvesting operations will be seriously affected, but to all such things the authorities can pay no heed, for their orders are to collect everything everywhere, the army needing all the available stock immediately. The Minister of Agriculture, in reply to Mr. Huszari, said that he could not countermand orders coming from headquarters, and that he could only protest."

MILITARY TYRANNY.

The fact is that the time has come when the question of feeding even the army—apart altogether from the civilian population—gives rise to the gravest apprehensions. As regards the food troubles of the civilian population, the Governments, and particularly the military authorities, have adopted an attitude of callous indifference. All they have done has been to appoint Food Dictators, who have been continually engaged in bargaining with the military authorities to secure a trifling allowance for civilians, and in distributing the scanty stocks thus obtained more or less equally among the people. The Food Bureau distributes flour—a mixture of wheat and maize flour—among the countries, and the local authorities distribute this among the villages. The work has to be done, however, by an insufficient staff, and the consequence is that there are villages where sometimes the people get no flour for a fortnight at a time, and have to live on such quantity of potatoes as is left to them by the requisitioning officials."

The main fact I wish to point to is that although the peasantry and the landowners have been stripped of everything in the way of cereals—their stock of seed has been taken from them in many cases—the army has not enough food to carry it through the winter. The local authorities, in the different districts, have petitioned the Government to supply food for distribution among the poor, but the Government can do nothing, for the military authorities are supreme. And the one thought of the military authorities is to continue to feed the army until such time as the new crops are available."

PEACE CONVICTION TIGHTENS.

Another six months will only bring us to July and August, when the harvest does not begin until the middle of July, which means that the middle of August will only see part of the Rumanian wheat harvest in the form of flour. In Hungary, even in peace time, harvesting did not finish until the middle of August, and now four is never to be had before the end of September. We know that the army must be fed, and well fed, too, for on this depends the fate of that gigantic organisation. Even if a Peace Conference were called together to-morrow peace would probably be still some months off, and it is not at all probable the blockade would be raised in the meantime, that is to say, while the negotiations were in progress. The people are already desperate, and the troops may become desperate, too, as soon as they experience on their own persons the horrors of the present food shortage."

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"TURNED-OFF" LABOUR.

6,000,000 BRITISH DISCHARGES AFTER THE WAR.

The Joint Committee on Labour Problems After the War, appointed by the Parliamentary Committee of the Trade Union Congress, the Labour Party, the General Federation of Trade Unions, and the Workers' National Committee, have issued a report. According to this, the number of persons on Government service or supported out of Government funds, who, it is anticipated, will be discharged at the end of the war, is estimated at between six and eight millions, representing nearly half the wage-earning population of the United Kingdom. No such colossal "turning-off" of hands has ever taken place in any country. All these, of course, it is pointed out, will not be discharged simultaneously, but it is probable that within three months of peace being declared some two or three millions of workers will have been "turned off."

As regards demobilisation, the Committee calculate that the rate of disembarkment cannot exceed five thousand men per day. Assuming this to be correct, over six months would be occupied in demobilising even one million men. The Committee suggest that the Government should be asked to make the same provision for the discharged munition worker as was promised by the late Government for the discharged soldier. As regards machinery for finding new situations, it is held that this will best be provided by the trade unions, each of which should endeavour to compile a list of all its members serving and ascertain from them to which towns and what situations they desire to return. In view of the part which the Employment Exchanges must necessarily play in the task, and the "grave suspicion" with which they have, up to the present, been viewed by the trade union movement, their administration and control must, it is contended in the report, be greatly reformed."

WAR AND MATRIMONY.

Upholders of the social proprieties (of whom there are a larger number left than most people suppose) are becoming much exercised about the extraordinary jumble that has taken place in the ranks of society through hasty war weddings. Hundreds of marriages have taken place that could never have happened in any other circumstances. Young men and young women have married very much "above" and "below" their former station in life. A very handsome girl of a notable family was asked the other day who her fiancé's people were. "I haven't the slightest idea," she replied, "but I am going to stay there next week and shall find out." Another peculiarity about these matches is that they are so sudden and unpremeditated that it is not to be expected that they can strike very deep roots, and when one is ended—very often by the death of the soldier—the lady not infrequently becomes engaged again within a year. It is not heroic but it is merciful that it should be so."

Again, the war has been the end of much worldliness. Dukes' daughters are marrying social nobodies and finding it a delightful innovation, and bewildered parents have given up all attempts to control their children's matrimonial careers. I heard recently of a newly made mother-in-law who ventured to ask the bride where she had met her son. "At a friend's," was the brief reply. "Why?" One would like Mrs. Proudie's ghost to have been "present" at that moment. "But what can you expect," said a disheartened parent the other day, "summing up a discussion on the point, 'when any morning a strange flying man may fall into your garden and expect to be engaged to your daughter by evening?'"

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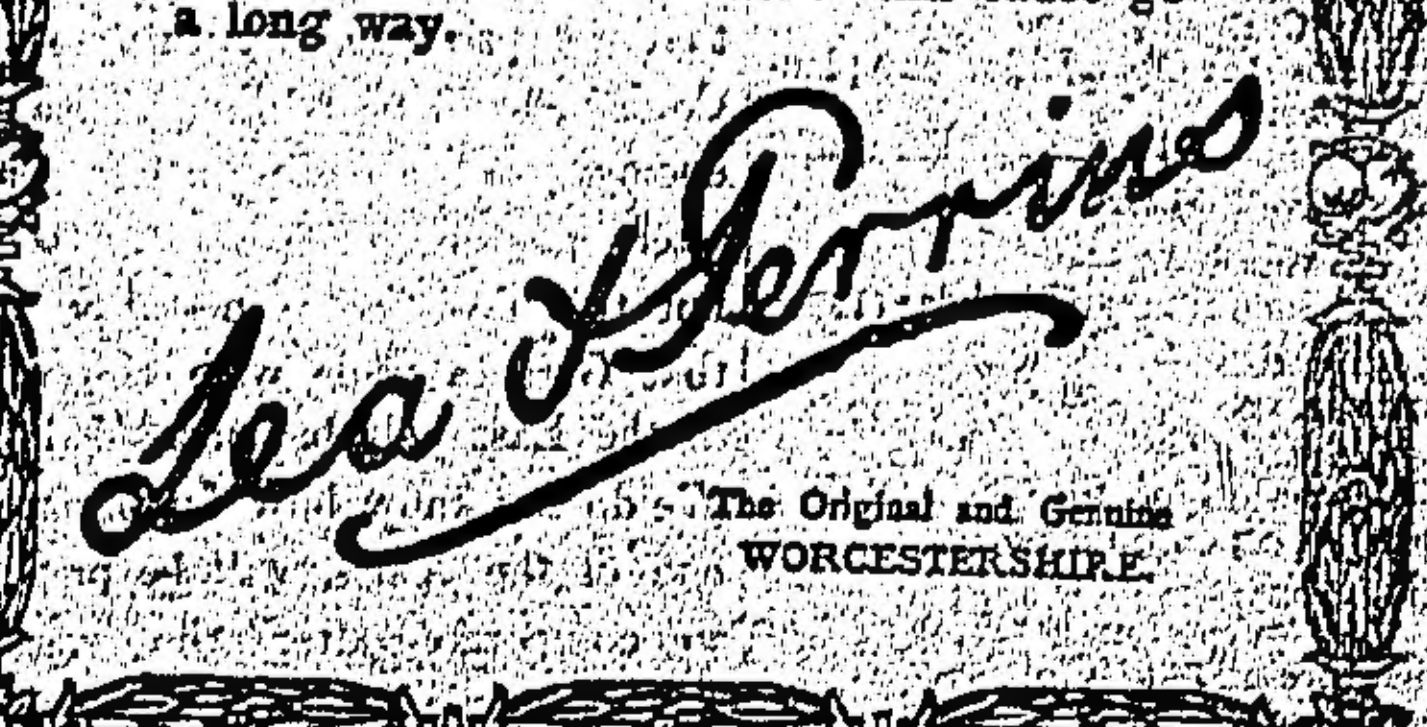
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at 5 P.M. will be subject to rent.
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Hongkong, March 29, 1917. 1826

THE CALENDAR.

MEMO. FOR TO-DAY

9.15 p.m.—Performance by Clarke's
Circus at Kowloon.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

11 A.M.—Auction of Household
Furniture at 58 Nathan Road.
Noon—China Sugar Refining Co.
Meeting.
1.30 p.m.—St. Stephen's College
Athletic Sports.
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household
Furniture at Messrs. Hughes
and Hough's.

Peak School Sports at Hon. Mr.
Beverly's residence.
8.15 p.m.—Annual Meeting of the
Phoenix Club Ltd.
Entries close for Open Rifle Championship
Meeting.

General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, March 31—
H.R.H. Prince Henry's Birthday (1900).

SUNDAY, April 1—
Palm Sunday.

MONDAY, April 2—
Noon—Auction of the S. L. "Ying
Ling" at Sham Shui Po.

TUESDAY, April 3—
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household
Furniture etc. at "O'Connell," No. 12,
Peak Road.

4 p.m.—Sanitary Board Election.

THURSDAY, April 5—
Maundy Thursday.

FRIDAY, April 6—
Good Friday—General Holiday.

SATURDAY, April 7—
General Holiday.

Open Rifle Championship Meeting.
9.40 p.m.—Full moon.

SUNDAY, April 8—
Easter Day.

King of the Belgians born (1875).

MONDAY, April 9—
Easter Monday—General Holiday.

TUESDAY, April 10—
Entries close for Gymkhana on April
11th.

Hongkong as a great distributing
mart and shipping centre which
should not be penalized by import
and export charges other than of
a limited nature, which would not be
detrimental to its volume of trade.
But whatever decisions may be
reached in regard to future German
shipping in Hongkong, one thing is
certain and that is that the old
freedom of the port has gone for
ever.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

St. Stephens College hold their
annual athletic sports to-morrow, com-
mencing at half-past-one.

The King's gift to a recent Red
Cross Sale consisted of a Chinese
sacred bowl, over 2,100 years old.

Members of the Phoenix Club are
reminded of the annual meeting in the
Club's premises to-morrow at 6.15 p.m.

A Chinese was yesterday struck by
motor car No. 48, of the Far Eastern
Garage, and taken to the Government
Civil Hospital.

The 39th ordinary annual meeting
of the China Sugar Refining Company
will be held in Messrs. Jardine, Matheson
& Co.'s offices to-morrow at noon.

The teachers and pupils of the
Peak School will carry out a programme
of sports at the residence of the Hon.
Mr. Claud Severn to-morrow afternoon.

Manila has given its name probably
to more articles of commerce than any
other city in the world. "Manila"
tobacco, cheroots, hemp, hats, paper,
matting, bracelets, and rings are just a
few of the things which remind people
in different countries of the capital of
the Philippines.

"Vice-President" Feng Kuo-chang
met with a nasty accident last week
in Nanking when driving. The horses took
fright at something and overturned the
carriage and the Vice-President injured
his arm against a piece of wood. In
response to a telegram, Dr. N. H. Bolton
left Shanghai for Nanking to attend to
General Feng.

We have received with the
compliments of the Osaka Shosha
Kaisha a large coloured map indicating
their steamship services to various
ports of Asia. The map includes
Formosa, the Philippine Islands, Borneo,
the Celebes, Java and Sumatra, and
the coast of Asia inclusive of the
Malayan Peninsula.

The Ying Wa College held their first
sports meeting yesterday afternoon at
the Race Course. The event was a great
success and will no doubt be the forer-
runner of many more of such meetings.
Mr. A. Hughes, in calling upon Mrs.
MacLean Gibson to distribute the prizes,
thanked her on behalf of the College
staff for her kindness in attending the
meeting.

In an official report on navigation
in the Far East, Mr. Maurel, controller
of the Maritime Postal Services, points
out that in the ten years preceding
the war the Germans managed to oust
almost entirely the Swedish, Norwegian
and Danish companies, which, until
1908, were very strongly represented in
these waters. In particular the N.D.L.
established all along the China coast
and on the China rivers, very frequent
services, which drained the merchandise
down to Shanghai and Hongkong in
time for the sailing of the company's
mail boats for Europe. From Annam
to Tonkin the trade, especially in the
coastwise service, was almost entirely in
the hands of the Germans who also
controlled the trade to Hongkong and
Manila.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The King has been pleased to confer
the honour of Knighthood upon Duncan
Carmichael, managing director of the
British India Steam Navigation Company.

Mr. L. D. Sullivan, representing
Sullivan's Fine Candies, Shanghai, is
on a visit to Hongkong for the purpose
of arranging for the sale of the
products of his firm in the Colony.

Captain G. L. Laube, R.N., who has
just been promoted to that rank, com-
manded the destroyer "Oke" and the
dispatch ship "Alcyon" on the China
Station from July, 1910, to March, 1915,
and on vacating the command of the
latter ship took up the duties of Assistant
Director of Naval Ordnance and Tor-
pedoes. He has rendered very valuable
services during the present war.

THE COLONY AND THE WAR.

At this afternoon's meeting of the
Legislative Council H. E. The Govern-
or made a further statement on what
has been done by the Colony in the way
of contributions for war purposes.
The largest contributions in the Colony,
His Excellency said, are the gift
of \$3,000,000, raised by local loan
and the gift of \$2,000,000 paid out of
the revenues of the Colony. He alluded
to the proposed gift by the Chinese
community of \$1,000,000 to the Imperial
war chest for the current year and each
succeeding year of the war. Contribu-
tions both direct and indirect to loans
issued by the Imperial Government
have been very large. A sum of
£1,145,000 had been taken up by
the Hongkong and Shanghai
Banking Corporation, and large sums
had been taken up by local companies
from funds available in London.

In addition, a total of \$262,624 had
been taken up in direct contributions by
873 contributors through the British
Banks in the colony, and a total of
\$313,280 Straits currency had been
contributed to the Malay and Straits
Loans by 99 contributors.

The amounts contributed to various
funds in aid of the War and to Char-
ities in connection with the war to
December 31st amounted to \$64,192.

His Excellency also mentioned the
Hongkong and South China War Savings
Association which though it had been
established only two months, had
already invested on behalf of its
members nearly \$200,000.

The statement mentioned all the
organisations working in a variety
of ways in connection with the war,
and concluded by an appeal for still
greater effort.

The full statement will be given to-
morrow.

CANTON MATTERS AT PEKING.

THE CANTON LOAN SANCTIONED.

A telegram to the Vah Ts. Yot Po
states that the Government has at
last sanctioned the proposal of the
Canton Government to procure from
the Bank of Taiwan a loan of two
million dollars. The Civil Governor
of Canton is instructed to make a
contract accordingly, but it must
provide that the management of the
Cement Works (which form part of
the security) shall not be interfered
with in any way.

H. E. Luk Wing Ting, Military
Governor of Canton, on his arrival
in Peking, immediately proceeded to
the palace and discussed with the
President the financial difficulties of
the province, and the means for
disbanding troops.

SPORT.

TENNIS.

HONGKONG C.C. TOURNAMENT.

The following were the results of the
games played in the Hongkong C. C.
tennis tournament yesterday:—

CHAMPIONSHIP SINGLES.
M. K. Lo beat A. H. Crook 1-6, 6-3,
6-2, 8-1, 6-4.

HANDICAP SINGLES (3.)
G. de B. Lancaster (rec. 10/3) beat

Lieut. A. C. Cooney (scr.) 4-6, 6-4, 6-1.

MIXED DOUBLES HANDICAP.
Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Cary (ove 15/4) beat

P. P. J. Woodhouse and Miss Gordon
(rec. 15) 8-6, 6-2.

F. A. Redmond and Mrs. Winslow (scr.)
beat Lieut. Gray and Miss Lammer
(rec. 15) 1-6, 6-4, 6-1.

CHAMPIONSHIP FURTHER.
The following matches in the Cham-
pionships have been arranged:—

SINGLES.
Monday Ng Sze Kwong v. N. E. Kent;
F. A. Redmond v. H. A. Baker; Tues-
day, A. H. B. H. H. v. Rev. C. L. Cooper
Hunt.

DOUBLES.
Tuesday, A. H. Crook and L. Foster v.
F. A. Redmond and Wong Po Kie; Wed-
nesday, J. M. Soeters and H. J. Verney
v. S. K. Green and Rev. C. L. Cooper
Hunt; Li. Col. Gray and N. E. Kent v.
Capt. Milner-Jones and F. W. Cary;
Thursday, A. B. Raworth and Surg.
Lieut. Murray v. H. A. Nisbet and S.
H. Dodwell; Ng Sze Kwong and Wong
Po Kie v. R. and H. Hancock.

GOVERNOR'S CUP SHOOT.
The following further entries have
been received for the Rifle Meeting on
Saturday, April 7th, at Stoncutter's:
Percy Small, K.S.L.I.; P. G. M. Ma-
homed, H.K.P.; Warder Gask, Victoria
Col.; Q.M. Sergeant Williams, R.E.;
Leading Seaman Skilton, R.N.; Private
Rally, R.M.L.I.; Mr. H. Elson, R.M.
Dockyard; Mr. Brock, R.M. Dockyard;
Mr. W. Drew, H.M. Dockyard.

There are now over sixty competitors.
The Surgeon Superintendent of Police
(B), Dr. Jordan, has ordered a cup for the
fourth best shot.

Entries close to-morrow.

It has been reported to the Police
that six armed men entered a house in
High Street, West Point, yesterday,
wounded a woman and stole money,
jewellery and clothing to the value of
\$170.

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Canton, Ltd. 10,000.00

Douglas Steamship Co. 5,000.00

Hongkong Electric Co.,
Ltd. 3,000.00

Green Island Cement Co.,
Ltd. 5,000.00

Hongkong, Canton & Macao
Steamboat Co., Ltd. 5,000.00

Hongkong Rope Manufac-
turing Co., Ltd. 5,000.00

Hongkong Tramway Co.,
Ltd. 5,000.00

Hongkong Land Investment
& Agency Co., Ltd. 5,000.00

Hongkong Fire Insurance
Co., Ltd. 5,000.00

Canton Insurance Office,
Ltd. 5,000.00

Indo-China Steam Naviga-
tion Co., Ltd. 5,000.00

Hongkong & Kowloon
Wharf & Godown Co.,
Ltd. 5,000.00

British Traders Insurance
Co., Ltd. 5,000.00

China Fire Insurance Co.,
Ltd. 5,000.00

Hongkong & Whampoa
Dock Co., Ltd. 5,000.00

China Provident Loan &
Mortgage Co., Ltd. 2,500.00

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Ltd. 2,500.00

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tion Co., Ltd. 2,500.00

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TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

ANOTHER HOSPITAL SHIP
OUTRAGE.THE TORPEDOING OF THE
"ASTURIAS."

LONDON, March 28.

The Admiralty announces that the British hospital ship *Asturias*, steaming with all navigation lights and all the distinguishing Red Cross signs brilliantly illuminated, was torpedoed without warning on the night of the 26th inst.

The military casualties were 11 dead and three missing, including a female staff nurse, and 17 injured. The casualties among the crew were 20 dead, 3 missing, including a stewardess, and 22 injured.

The torpedoing of this ship is one of the achievements claimed by the U-boats in a German wireless press message.

LATER.

The *s.s. Asturias* was torpedoed at midnight.

The torpedo struck her on the quarter and damaged the rudder and thence went into the engine room, damaging the machinery and extinguishing the whole of the electrical illumination.

The vessel had landed 900 sick, and those aboard consisted of the crew, members of the Medical Corps and a number of nurses.

Distress signals were answered by a patrol boat, which towed in the *Asturias* and several boats with survivors.

Between 300 and 400 were landed thinly clad and some of the injured. Three died after landing, while others were rescued by a destroyer and another patrol boat.

LATER.

There were among the women aboard then usual as many nurses whose term of service had expired were returning, eagerly anticipating a stay at home.

One boat capsized in launching. Some of the occupants were an hour in the water.

The survivors were most cheery. They were dressed in a most heterogeneous collection of garments—pyjamas, quilts, etc. Many had cuts on hands and feet.

Several members of the Medical Corps are missing, including three nurses.

The explosion was made the worse by the fact that the torpedo exploded in the part of the ship where disinfectants were stored, and the fumes of the chemicals were suffocating.

The bodies of the Captain and 24 medical orderlies were landed on Thursday morning. They were wearing lifebelts. Some had been drowned and some had died from exposure.

BRITISH SHIPPING LOSSES.

WHY ACCOUNTS ARE NOT
PUBLISHED.

LONDON, March 28.

In the House of Commons, Dr. Macnamara explained that accounts of vessels sunk were not allowed to be published because it would give the enemy information otherwise unobtainable, but in all cases Lloyd's and the owners were confidentially informed, and the latter communicated with the relatives of the men concerned.

FRENCH SHIPPING.

STEADY INCREASE IN DAILY
ARRIVALS.

PARIS, March 28.

The average daily number of merchantmen arriving at French ports in February was 95. In the first fortnight of March it was 110; thence until the 25th inst. the number was 131.

A LOST DESTROYER.

LONDON, March 27.

The Admiralty announces that four officers and seventeen men were saved from the British destroyer which was recently mined and sunk in the English Channel.

AUSTRALIAN STRIKE SETTLED.

MELBOURNE, March 28.

The strike of the ironmoulders mentioned on March 21 has been settled after eighteen weeks. The men have been granted an increase of tenpence a day. The employers have paid £295,000 through the strike.

THE AUSTRALIAN ELECTIONS.

SPEECH BY MR. HUGHES.

MELBOURNE, March 27.

Mr. Hughes addressed 3,000 people at Bendigo. The audience was most enthusiastic, waving flags, singing anthems and cheering the Allies.

Mr. Hughes' announcement that the question of compulsion might again be submitted to the electorate was continuously cheered.

Mr. Hughes eloquently appealed for whole-hearted co-operation and organized efforts to increase food and generally for the people to conduct the war by means of men, money and products. He urged producers to help the Empire and denounced the methods of the labour caucus and said that every loyal Australian was humiliated because the Senate labourites had prevented Australia's representation at the Imperial Conference.

In order to refute false statements, Mr. Hughes announced that the soldiers' vote on the Conscription referendum was 72,000 for and 58,000 against. This announcement was loudly cheered.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

IMPORTANT BRITISH CAPTURE.

LONDON, March 27.

Reuter's correspondent at British Headquarters telegraphing today states:—The British have occupied the large village of Longuevesne, possession of which greatly improves our line between Roisel and Nurlu; also the small village of Equancourt, on the Torille River, near where it falls into the Canal de Nord.

BRITISH GAIN THREE NEW
POSITIONS.

LONDON, March 27.

Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—We drove out the enemy at Longuevesne, Liernont, and Equancourt. We now occupy these places and have taken a number of prisoners. The enemy's third attack to the north of Beaumetz was temporarily successful but we re-captured the post, and re-established the position. Our fire drove out a raiding party to the east of Floegteert.

THE FRENCH ADVANCE.

MORE IMPORTANT POSTS
CAPTURED.

LONDON, March 27.

The French communiqué reports:—We continued our advance south of the Oise in the lower forest of Couchy, of which we occupy the entire northern portion. The enemy has been driven beyond the Barisis-Sorvais line. By a night attack we brilliantly carried the village of Coucy-le-Chateau, south of the forest, which the Germans energetically defended.

In the region north of Soissons we captured a farm north-west of Margival and a point d'appui which had been strongly held by the enemy.

ENEMY'S VANDALISM.

OFFICERS' STARVING WIVES.

LONDON, March 28.

Reuter's correspondent at the French Headquarters refers to the enemy's waste of hundreds of tons of explosives in wanton destruction of medieval fortresses—chateaux, militarily valueless, and the blowing up of ancient ruins and monuments.

He also mentions that German officers offered liberated villagers ten francs for either a pound of coffee, rice, or lard, distributed by the American Relief Commission, in order to send to their starving wives in Germany.

GERMAN REPORT.

LONDON, March 27.

A German official report, transmitted by wireless, states:—Rain reduced the fighting on the whole of the west front to engagements north-eastward of Bapaume and Peronne. The enemy, after repeated fruitless advances, occupied Roisel.

Strong French forces came upon our reserves between the Oise and Coucy-le-Chateau. We inflicted losses and gave way before a threatened encircling movement.

HUN BRUTALITY.

UNIMAGINABLE TREATMENT.

LONDON, March 27.

The Belgian Government has received letters from eyewitnesses describing the terrible fate of Belgian deportees in Germany. Their treatment is unimaginable. They are dying by scores of starvation, and are even eating rats.

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THE BLOCKADE.

STATEMENT IN THE HOUSE OF
COMMONS.

LONDON, March 27.

In the House of Commons, replying to criticisms as to the effectiveness of the blockade, Lord Robert Cecil declared that the tightening of the blockade had resulted in the complete cessation of overseas importations into enemy countries. He admitted that the question of the home produce of neutrals adjoining Germany was much more difficult, and expressed the opinion that the only way to stop such exports to Germany was by agreement with the neutrals. For example, Norway had agreed to restrict her trade with Germany provided we supplied her with refined copper.

Lord Robert Cecil proceeded to show the steadily increasing diversion of the Danish and Dutch agricultural products towards England, and emphatically declared that Denmark had honestly endeavored to carry out the terms of the existing agreement. He would not say that there was the greatest shortage of food in Germany as the result of the blockade; also of wool, cotton, lubricants and other necessities. He was disinclined to disbelieve the repeated and well-authenticated reports of food riots in Germany.

THE RUSSIAN REVOLUTION.

ROYALTY SUPPORT THE
GOVERNMENT.

PETROGRAD, March 27.

Nine of the principal Grand Dukes and three Princesses associated themselves with the views expressed by the Grand Duke Michael in the act of abdication, and have surrendered their appanages to the State. They have expressed their determination to support the Provisional Government.

GRAVE FOR REVOLUTIONARY
VICTIMS.

Soldiers are digging a huge square grave for the victims of the Revolution in a prominent part of Petrograd upon which a monument will be erected.

THE THREATENED ATTEMPT ON
PETROGRAD.

PETROGRAD, March 27.

Since Mr. Guchoff's warning of a likely German attempt on the capital, officers have been waiting in queues at the Commandant's headquarters and volunteering for the Riga-Dvinsk front.

U.S. ARMED LINER REACHES
LIVERPOOL.

LONDON, March 27.

The steamer *St. Louis*, the first American armed liner, has arrived at Liverpool. The passengers included four ladies and five journalists. No German submarines were seen. In practice shooting, barrels with dummy periscopes were smashed at two miles range. The captain and an American naval officer were on the bridge seventy-two hours.

The *St. Louis* was armed with two six inch guns one fore and one aft, and manned by selected gunners. She travelled direct through the danger zone unhindered.

FRANCE TO CALL UP 1918 CLASS.

PARIS, March 27.

The Chamber of Deputies has authorized the calling up of the 1918 class after Easter.

WITHDRAWAL OF FRENCH
NATURALISATION.

PARIS, March 27.

The Chamber has adopted the Senate's Bill authorising the withdrawal of naturalisation from ex-subjects of enemy Powers.

THE EXPLOSION IN EAST
LONDON.

LONDON, March 27.

The Committee of Inquiry into the East London disaster, called on January 19, reports that the fire was preceded by an explosion, and that there is no evidence that the disaster was maliciously caused.

The Committee records that 69 were killed on the spot, and 98 were seriously injured, of whom 4 died, 328 were slightly injured, exclusive of hundreds of triflingly affected.

MEDALS FOR VICTIMS.

It is announced that His Majesty the King has conferred the King Edward medal of the First Class upon Mr. Angel, the chemist in charge, and upon Mr. Wenborne, the leading male hand, and the King's Police Medal on Police Constable Greenoff, who sacrificed their lives through remaining at their posts.

FRENCH SUCCESS IN MACEDONIA.

LONDON, March 27.

A French Macedonian communiqué states:—We captured a quarter of a mile of trenches in the direction of east Ceromenstien, taking 100 prisoners. The Italians supported our artillery, and broke down an attempted Burgar attack.

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OPERATIONS ON THE RUSSIAN
FRONT.

LONDON, March 27.

A German report states:—We energetically advanced to the south-east of Baranovsk.

We stormed the positions on the west bank of the Schtschura, taking 300 prisoners.

We repulsed a Russian attack following on violent waves of fire to the west of Luck.

Strong French advances to the north-west of Monastir failed.

CANADA'S WAR LOAN.

A GREAT ACHIEVEMENT.

OTTAWA, March 26.

Sir Thomas White, Finance Minister, in announcing that the new loan of \$30,000,000 had been over-subscribed by \$20,000,000, stated that the applications aggregated over 40,000. The increase in small subscriptions was most gratifying. The result was a most notable and most significant success for the Canadian people, and would be regarded by the outside world as Canada's greatest achievement in the war, next to the mobilisation and despatch of the overseas Canadian army. It would immensely change Canada's financial position and strengthen Canada's credit should Canada later have recourse to the foreign money markets. But Canada, if she chooses, could do her own war financing.

The Finance Minister urged the Canadians to continue to save money to enable Canada to finish the war with the greater part of her debt held by Canadians.

The German Minister and his Staff arrived at Shanghai on the 27th inst. in the morning, by special train. They immediately proceeded to Woosung and were lodged in the Forts. No stranger was allowed to go within a mile of the Forts, and Admiral Sha Chun Ping instructed the cruiser *Huachi* to guard the west front. The *s.s. Denbrandt* also arrived on the afternoon of the 27th inst. and the Minister and his Staff were to have left by her for Japan and United States yesterday.

UNION WATERBOAT CO., LTD.

A meeting of the Union Waterboat Company, Limited, was held at the offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co. Ltd., the General Managers of the Company, at 11.30 a.m. to-day. There were present:—Mr. S. H. Dodwell, (Chairman) Messrs. R. Shewan, J. Joneskheer, A. H. Skelton, A. O. Lang, (Consulting Committee), Messrs. T. C. Nixon & G. Morton Smith (Secretary).

The Secretary having read the notice convening the meeting.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, this meeting was called to formally confirm the resolutions passed at the Extraordinary general meeting held on 8th March with regard to the "reduction of the Capital. I therefore beg to propose their confirmation as special resolutions.

The resolutions were (1) That the issued capital of the Company be reduced from \$277,230 to \$194,061 divided into 27,723 shares of \$7 each, and that such reduction be effected by returning (on such date as the Company's General Managers shall appoint) to the holders of the 27,723 shares that have been issued paid up capital to the extent of \$83 per share and by reducing the nominal amount of each of the said shares from \$10 to \$7.

(2) That application be made to the Supreme Court of Hongkong to confirm the reduction of the capital of the Company in conformity with the foregoing resolutions.

The special resolutions were seconded by Mr. R. Shewan and carried unanimously.

AN OLD TRICK.

An amah residing at No. 5 Seymour Road has reported to the Police that whilst walking in Queen's Road Central she was accosted by a man who produced a bundle which, he explained, contained \$900 in bank notes. He then placed the bundle in her hands and asked her to have the money changed for him. As he requested security, she gave him \$110 of her own money and took the bundle to a money changer's shop. There she discovered that the supposed bank notes were only strips of paper. She hurriedly returned to the place where the man had been standing but the latter was not to be found.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS 6 PER
CENT. WAR LOAN.

In the Singapore papers to hand by to-day's Mail it is stated, on the authority of the Acting-Treasurer, Straits Settlements, that the subscriptions to the Straits Settlements 6 per cent. War Loan now exceed 1½ million dollars.

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THE GERMANS IN
CHINA.

[FROM NORTHERN PAPERS.]

The Allied Governments have granted the German Minister, von Hintze, safe-conduct. The American Legation also handed the Waichiaop a safe-conduct in order to enable the German Minister to cross the United States.

The German Minister's farewell message published in the *Tagblatt*, which is apparently still being published in Tientsin, is translated as follows:—

Our work, in honour and for the benefit of our country has been, temporarily, brought to a standstill by an explosion of the world wide political hurricane.

Unprotected as we are, we are anticipating, without anger or hatred, but with happy foreboding, the day that will come later on.

Our Emperor, our country, and our consciences are the judge of the sacrifices we have suffered, and also of the gifts that the genius of our race has offered to this country.

May the Almighty God, on whose altar we place the laurels of our victories, and from whose bosom we create new strength and perseverance, take all the Germans in China, under his protection.

—VON HINTZE.

Comment on the cant and hypocrisy of this effusion is unnecessary.

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Orders have been issued by the Chinese Government relative to the treatment of Germans who are remaining in the country. Merchants, missionaries and others shall continue to have the right of residence in their present domicile and, to engage in all lawful pursuits. Apparently, however, the Government intends to curtail their extraterritorial privileges for they are ordered to register with the local officials and are commanded to obey the laws of the country. They are also ordered to deliver over firearms and military equipment and shall be subject to deportation or imprisonment on failure to comply with these regulations.

In this connection the *N. C. Daily* mentions that the Dutch flag is no longer displayed at the German Consulate-General, or the German Post Office, indicating recognition of the cancellation of extraterritoriality so far as Germany is concerned. In a circuitous way Public notices were to be issued in Shanghai on Saturday advising that the German subjects will be required to register themselves within three days. At the time of writing it could not be learned at what place such registrations were to be made, or what steps are to be taken to enforce the regulations.

The request of the German Consul, Herr Tigges, for permission to remain at Canton has been refused. But the authorities are allowing the German Consuls from Swatow, Pakhoi and Hoioh to leave Kwangtung via Canton, if they wish to do so.

In a message from Peking dated the 22nd inst., Reuter's Correspondent wrote: The necessity for China to take the third step in her relation with Germany as soon as possible, in order to avoid complications is already becoming evident. It is understood that the Dutch Minister, on the ground that Germans in China still enjoy the privileges of extra-territoriality, claims to be entitled to take charge of German Consular rights and is sending Dutch officials to various ports to take charge of German interests. On the other hand the Chinese Government, whilst anxious to protect German subjects and their property, contends that Germans no longer enjoy special privileges and the officials appointed by the Dutch Legation cannot be recognised.

A paper of a letter recently published in the *China Mail* on the subject of the German emblems which still remain on the German Bank-building the following paragraph in the *N. C. Daily News* is worth quoting:—"The German Key Office is now locked and the iron-grated door drawn. The Chinese staff were paid off on March 15. The panels on either side of the entrance which formerly bore an announcement in the Hun tongue have been painted out and are now merely two white squares which, while not conveying any message in actual words, are full of significance to him who runs and reads."

The German gunboats *Valerand* and *Uder* and the destroyer *390* which have been disarmed and interned at Nanking since the beginning of the War, are now guarded by Chinese sailors, and the German crews have been interned.

The German College at Tientsin (Shantung) which has been in existence several years, has been closed.

A Chinese paper reports:—The German Consulate at Amoy has handed

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On Saturday forenoon (17th inst.) the Germans were turned out of their Club in the French Concession, Hankow, and removed their belongings to a building in what the natives now proudly call the "Chinese Concession." Several families have also shifted out of their residences in other concessions. The Germans resident in Changsha and in the interior are coming in. It is said that most of them have packed up their belongings and are now awaiting further orders.—"C. C. Post."

Immediately the United States broke off diplomatic relations with Germany the American Government enforced a rigid censorship over wireless telegrams to and from Berlin. It seems high time that China adopted the precaution of refusing transmission of telegrams to or from Germans in this country, and also prohibited the publication of German newspapers. The latter, which include the "Peking Post," the "Tagblatt," the "War," the "Deutsche Zeitung für China," the "Ostasiatische Lloyd," "Wan Wan," and several Chinese dailies are now being used solely for the purpose of spreading false and inflammatory information in this country. If they are permitted to go on unchecked it is possible that they may accomplish some mischief. They ought, in our opinion, to be promptly suppressed before any harm is done. The wild lies circulated by the Huns regarding the Russian Revolution are just the sort of thing that might cause serious unrest in Chinese circles.—"P. T. Times."

The "N. C. Daily News" learned that on Tuesday last week the staff of the German Post Office in Shanghai was busily engaged in burning a large quantity of Klaochun stamps, evidently held until then in hope that the former German territory would eventually return to Hun possession. The following day many baskets full of the same stamps shared a similar fate, and, then, the entire stock of Klaochun stamps held by the German Post Office in Shanghai has gone into spirit-land, providing a rare opportunity for the many correspondents of the printers, inhabitants of those regions.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER
RESERVES.

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NOTICE.

All members of the Reserve are required to forward to the Captain Superintendent of Police a completed form under the Registration of Persons Ordinance 1916. Copies of the form can be obtained from the Pass Office, Central Police Station. Members should also register any of their families who are eighteen years old or over.

PARADES.

Mounted Section at Polo Ground at 10 p.m. Dress: Drill order. Signalling Section "A" Class at Volunteer Headquarters at 8.15 a.m. under Signalling Instructor L/Cpl. Lloyd. Dress: Clean fatigue.

Sunday, 1st April for FIELD PRACTICES.—"B" Company Platoons 7 and 8 on the Cricket Ground at 8.15 a.m. Platoons 5 and 6 on the Cricket Ground at 9.45 a.m. Kowloon Residents at Kowloon City Pier at 8.45 a.m. and 10.15 a.m. respectively. All exempted members, Signallers and members of Machine Gun Section who have not already fired will attend. Dress: Light Marching Order—Haversacks (with food)—Waterbottles (filled)—Belts and Pouches—Toppies will be worn. Each man will bring with him 20 rounds of ball ammunition in clips. All Officers and N.C.O.s will carry Field Glasses. Greatcoats will be worn over equipment and left on the launch at Kowloon City.

Signallers in "A" Coy. will parade as detailed by the Signalling Sergeant for Signalling and Telephone work.

STRENGTH.

Pte. J. Wilson having joined is allotted Corps No. 650 and posted to Coy. "B" Platoon No. VII Section 12.

HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

POLICE SCHOOL.

The sitting of Class XI (Inspector Gordon) ordered for April 6th, (Good Friday) is cancelled.

VARIATIONS.

There will be no Reviews or other parades on Friday, April 6th, on Monday, April 9th, or Tuesday, April 10th.

TRANSFER.

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THE Steamship

"ARAKAN"

having arrived from SAN FRANCISCO. Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the basement under extra-ordinary conditions of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the Wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after noon, the 2nd April, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 4th April, or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 4th April, at 10 a.m. by the Company's surveyors, Messrs. Goddard and Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LUN, Agents.

Hongkong, March 26, 1917. 1817

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO via HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS AND MANILA, P.I.s.

THE Steamship

"SHINYO MARU"

The above named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for consignment, and to take immediate delivery of Cargo from afloat.

Cargo remaining undelivered on THURSDAY, 29th March at 5 p.m. will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense, and delivery must then be taken from the Company's Godown.

Storage charges will be assessed on all Cargo remaining undelivered on MONDAY, 2nd April, at 5 p.m.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected. No claims will be recognised after the Goods have left the Steamer or Godown.

All chafed and damaged Cargo will be landed into the Company's Godown, where they will be examined on the 3rd April, at 10 a.m.

No claims will be recognised if filed after the 17th April, 1917.

T. DAIGO, Agent.

Hongkong, March 27, 1917. 1820

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NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SAKI MARU, Capt. Yoshikawa, Tons 12,500	FRIDAY, 12th April at 10 a.m.
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SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KAGA MARU, Capt. Komatsu, Tons 12,500	THURSDAY, 12th April at 11 a.m.
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SHANGHAI MOJI & KOBE	JINSEI MARU, Capt. Takahashi, Tons 8,000	FRIDAY, 13th April at 11 a.m.
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SHANGHAI MOJI & KOBE	KATORI MARU, Capt. Ron, Tons 21,000	SATURDAY, 28th April at 11 a.m.
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